

**House File 2313 - Introduced**

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**A BILL FOR**

1 An Act relating to the registration and titling of military  
2 vehicles.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.30, subsection 2, Code 2011, is  
2 amended to read as follows:

3 2. a. Unless otherwise provided for in this chapter, the  
4 department or the county treasurer shall refuse registration  
5 and issuance of a certificate of title unless the vehicle bears  
6 a manufacturer's label pursuant to 49 C.F.R. pt. 567 certifying  
7 that the vehicle meets federal motor vehicle safety standards.

8 b. A military vehicle, other than a vehicle that runs on  
9 continuous tracks or wheels and tracks, that was originally  
10 manufactured for and sold directly to the armed forces of the  
11 United States in conformity with contractual specifications,  
12 as provided in 49 C.F.R. § 571.7, may be registered and issued  
13 a certificate of title if the owner provides satisfactory  
14 evidence to the department that the vehicle is substantially  
15 in compliance with federal motor vehicle safety standards.  
16 The department may adopt rules as necessary concerning the  
17 registration and titling of military vehicles in accordance  
18 with this chapter.

19 EXPLANATION

20 Under current law, military vehicles which are retired from  
21 use by the United States armed forces are not eligible for  
22 registration and titling in this state because they do not  
23 have a manufacturer's label certifying that the vehicle meets  
24 federal motor vehicle safety standards. Although federal law  
25 does not allow the application of the manufacturer's label on  
26 military vehicles, some of those vehicles do meet federal motor  
27 vehicle safety standards. This bill allows the department  
28 of transportation to register certain military vehicles that  
29 were manufactured in conformance with United States military  
30 requirements, other than a vehicle that runs on continuous  
31 tracks or wheels and tracks, if the owner provides satisfactory  
32 evidence that the vehicle is substantially in compliance  
33 with federal motor vehicle safety standards. The department  
34 is authorized to adopt rules as necessary concerning the  
35 registration of military vehicles.